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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
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Christian VISKOV et al.)	Group Art Unit: 1623
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Application No.: 10/808,409)	Examiner: Devesh KHARE
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Filed: March 25, 2004)	Confirmation No.: 5110
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For: PROCESS OF OXIDIZING)	
UNFRACTIONATED HEPARINS AND)	
DETECTING PRESENCE OR)	
ABSENCE OF GLYCOSERINE IN)	
HEPARIN AND HEPARIN PRODUCTS)	

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In a restriction requirement dated September 25, 2006, the Examiner required restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 between the following groups of claims:

Group I - Claims 39-41, 44, and 45, drawn to a LMWH (low molecular weight heparin) and a composition having low or free of glycoserine;

Group II - Claims 1-9, 42, 43, 46, 47 and 62-65, drawn to a process for preparing LMWH of Group I and a method for determining the oligosaccharide content thereof;
and

Group III - Claims 10-38, 48-61 and 66-70, drawn to a method for determining/quantifying glycoserine content in heparin and a method of monitoring glycoserine in heparin.

Applicants provisionally elect to prosecute Group II, Claims 1-9, 42, 43, 46, 47 and 62-65, drawn to a process for preparing LMWH of Group I and a method for determining the oligosaccharide content thereof, *with traverse*.


M.P.E.P. § 803 states: "If the search and examination of the entire application can be made without serious burden, the examiner must examine it on the merits, even though it includes claims to independent or distinct inventions." Applicants submit that the search and examination of Groups I, II and III would not impose a serious burden. Thus, Applicants request reconsideration and withdrawal of the restriction requirement.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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